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House Speaker J.D. Mesnard (R-17)

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## Speaker Mesnard Announces Changes to House Committee Assignments

**STATE CAPITOL, PHOENIX** – House Speaker J.D. Mesnard (R-17) today announced changes to the House committee assignments.

Speaker Mesnard named Representative T.J. Shope (R-8) as the new Chair of the House Rules Committee, replacing Phil Lovas who left the House earlier this year. Representative Shope will leave the Commerce Committee and be replaced by Representative Ben Toma (R-22). Representative Toma will also fill the vacancy created by Mr. Lovas' departure on the Banking & Insurance Committee. Representative David Livingston (R-22) will join the Rules Committee.

Speaker Mesnard also announced that Representative Geraldine Peten (D-4) will serve on the Transportation & Infrastructure Committee and the Land, Agriculture, & Rural Affairs Committee, filling the vacancies created by the resignation of Jesus Rubalcava.

**“With these changes, the appointed new members can now begin taking a more active role in the legislative process,”** said Speaker Mesnard. **“I look forward to productive contributions to the committee process from all our members.”**

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